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## Banks.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 1,500,000 Dollars.

**COURT OF DIRECTORS.**  
Chairman:—The Hon. W. KESWICK.  
Deputy Chairman:—A. McIVER, Esq.  
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**CHIEF MANAGER.**  
Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
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LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

## HONGKONG.

**INTEREST ALLOWED.**  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " " "  
" 12 " 5 " " "

**LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.**  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

**T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.**  
Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, February 14, 1880.

## COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1843.)

## RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

## HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Brocard, PARIS.

## AGENCIES AND BRANCHES AT:

LONDON, BOULOGNE, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLE, DUNKERQUE, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FUKUOKA.

## LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

**E. G. VOULLEMONTE, Manager, Shanghai.**  
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

## RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per annum.  
" 6 " " 4 " "  
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

**GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.**  
Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

## CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on Fixed Deposits:—  
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " " 4 " "  
" 3 " " 3 " "

**H. H. NELSON, Manager.**  
Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

## Banks.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

### THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

### THE CITY BANK.

### NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

### RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

### ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " "  
" 12 " 5 " "

### NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £465,250.  
RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

### HEAD OFFICE—39a, Threadneedle Street, LONDON, E.C.

### LONDON BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.  
NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

**R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.**  
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE Business CONDUCTED by me in Bombay, both independently of, and connection with, the Firms of Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co. of CHINA, will from this Date be Carried on under the Style or Firm of E. D. SASSOON & Co.

**E. D. SASSOON.**

WITH Reference to the above, We have this Day admitted Mr. JACOB ELIAS SASSOON and Mr. SASSOON JACOB DAVID as PARTNERS in our Firms in Bombay and CHINA.

**E. D. SASSOON & Co.**  
Bombay, 1st January, 1880. fe26

### NOTICE.

MR. W. DETMERS has been authorized to SIGN our Firm per Procuration.

**RÄDECKER & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 31, 1880. mal

### NOTICE.

MR. N. C. STEVENS is hereby authorized to SIGN our Name by Procuration at AMOY, the Power held by Mr. ELWELL ceasing from this Date.

**RUSSELL & Co.**  
China, February 9, 1880. my11

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. LEONARD STALL in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last. Mr. F. O. DITTMER is authorized to SIGN our Firm per Procuration.

**HESSE & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

**ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.**

### RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

**ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.**  
Agents,  
Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. See90

## For Sale.

### THE FOLK-LORE OF CHINA;

and its Affinities with THAT OF THE ARYAN AND SEMITIC RACES.  
By N. B. DENNIS, Ph.D., F.R.G.S.  
Price, Half Bound, £2.00.

**KELLY & WALSH, Hongkong.**  
Hongkong, February 13, 1880. mal12

### FOR SALE.

TOWNS AND CITIES OF CHINA; A Dictionary of Reference.  
By G. M. H. FLATFAIR.  
PRICE, 8s PER COPY BOUND.

Apply to Messrs NORONHA & Co.,  
" LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
" KELLY & WALSH,  
" MCKENZIE, FRICKES & Co.  
Hongkong, February 13, 1880. fe20

### FOR SALE.

THE FURNISHINGS, FIXTURES, STOCK-IN-TRADE and Good-will of the well-known and prosperous Business at present Carried on by Mr. ANDREW WOLFFMAN at

**THE BRITISH HOTEL.**  
Full Particulars will be given on Application.  
Hongkong, January 23, 1880.

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BEG to announce that they have added to their Business A PIANO TUNING and REPAIRING DEPARTMENT, under the Superintendence of Mr. DOUGLAS DICK, who has been sent to them by Messrs JOHN BROADWOOD & Sons of London; they are now prepared to receive Orders which shall be carefully and efficiently attended to.

### THE FOLLOWING ARE FOR SALE, EX RECENT ARRIVALS.

DRAW SHELL HATS for the RACES.  
New Shapes in CHRISTY'S HATS.  
LATEST NOVELTIES in SCARFS.  
SHIRTS with COLLARS attached.  
CARDIGAN JACKETS.  
FRENCH KID GLOVES, 2 Buttons.  
Single and Double SOLE BOOTS.  
GAN'S FRENCH SHOES.  
Waterproof SHEETING for Racing Ponies.

Playing CARDS, Whist MARKERS.  
Electro-plated TABLESPOONS, MUGS, CIGARETTES.  
CARRIAGE LAMPS, BILHARD BALLS.

QUILTS, VALISES, IRON and BRASS BEDSTHEADS.  
The New Wire Spring MATTRESSES. COIR DOOR MATS.

Spirit FLASKS. Household SCALES.  
Marine and Cashmere SOCKS, and UNDERSHIRTS.  
Royal Irish Constabulary REVOLVERS.  
Foster's Celebrated Bottled ALE and STOUT.  
SACON'S SHERRIES.

Hongkong, February 2, 1880. ma2

## LIST OF NEW BOOKS.

Mrs BRASSEY'S STORM AND CLOUD IN THE EAST.  
LEGGE'S SACRED BOOKS OF THE EAST.  
TENNYSON'S SONGS, set to Music by various Composers.  
MACKENZIE'S HISTORY OF 19th CENTURY.

CARPENTER'S PHYSIOLOGY, New Edition.  
Capt. BARRY'S FIFTY YEARS COLONIAL EXPERIENCES.  
MARKHAM'S ARCTIC EXPLORATIONS.  
SELECTIONS FROM THE WORKS OF Dr NEWMAN.

THE GERMAN ARCTIC EXPEDITION.  
ARCTIC'S CHILD LIFE IN JAPAN.  
HOFFMAN'S (Prof.) DRAWING ROOM AMUSEMENTS.  
CAPTAIN BARRY'S FIFTY YEARS COLONIAL EXPERIENCES.  
MARKHAM'S ARCTIC EXPLORATIONS.

STANLEY'S THROUGH THE DARK CONTINENT—Cheap Edition.  
BURGH'S MARINE ENGINEERING.  
THE MECHANICIAN, a Treatise on Tools and Tool Making.  
SPALDING'S ELIZABETHAN DEMONOLOGY.

WATERTON'S WANDERINGS IN SOUTH AMERICA.  
RUSKIN'S WORKS.  
TALES FROM BLACKWOOD, Complete in 12 uniform Vols., cloth gilt.  
EASTLARK'S HINTS ON HOUSEHOLD TASTE.

HUNTER'S ENCYCLOPÆDIA DICTIONARY, Part I.  
NEW BIRTHDAY ALBUMS—"THE WEDDING," "THE CARLYLE," "THE RED LETTER," &c.

CALDECOTT'S NEW TOY BOOK.  
BON GAUMIER'S BALLADS—New Edition.

## NEW MUSIC.

BOOSEY'S SONGS OF ENGLAND, SONGS OF SCOTLAND, SONGS OF IRELAND, &c., Cloth or Paper.  
CHOPIN'S WALTZES, OPERATIC GEMS, SACRED SONGS, NEW DANCE MUSIC, NEW SONGS.

## ALSO, JUST RECEIVED.

A Selection of WALNUT WOOD-WRITING DESKS, lined with VELVET and LEATHER.  
TOURIST'S WRITING CASES, fitted.  
STATIONERY CASES, STANDARDS.  
New Designs in ALBUMS.  
MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS, in Boxes.  
ENVELOPE CASES and BLOTTERS: PURSES.  
CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES. POCKET KNIVES.  
WINNOR & NEWTON'S COLOURS.  
BALLE MASQUE STATIONERY—The Academy.  
NOTE PAPER. THE AGRICULTURAL VITING CASES.  
8,000 NEW TAUCHNITZ VOLUMES.

## KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, February 13, 1880. fe27

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

FURNITURE SALE.  
THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mr. HANCOCK, to sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, "THE CASTLE,"

on  
MONDAY, the 23rd Instant, at NOON,

The whole of his  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
(English and Chinese),  
PICTURES,  
PLATED GLASS and CHOCOLATEWARE.

A Cottage Grand PIANO, by Broadwood & Sons; Billiard Table, by Thurston & Co.; a Pony Phæton, and Silver-Mounted Double Harness, &c., &c., &c.

Flowers and Plants.  
Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 21st Instant.

Terms of Sale.—As customary.  
**J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.**  
Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1880. fe23

### PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO BE SOLD as a going Concern, by PUBLIC AUCTION, on a DAY to be hereafter fixed in the Month of APRIL next, (unless previously disposed of by Private Contract, and subject to withdrawal by the Vendor for any other reason of which due Notice will be given), THE BUSINESS OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPWRIGHTS, lately Carried on by Messrs J. INGLIS & Co., known as the VICTORIA FOUNDRY, and situate at Spring Gardens, Victoria.

Together with all the PLANT, MACHINERY, TRADE FIXTURES and FITTINGS, STEAM LAUNCHES, and STOCK-IN-TRADE, and including the Good-will, and all Existing Contracts and Engagements.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON, Solicitors for the Mortgagees.**  
Supreme Court House,  
17th February, 1880.

## To Let.

TO BE LET, on Lease for BUILDING, a Piece of GROUND, containing about 10,000 square feet, at Spring Gardens, on Island Lot No. 199, commanding a good view of the harbour.

Apply to  
**BERRETON & WOTTON, Solicitors, 23, Queen's Road.**  
Hongkong, February 4, 1880.

## TO LET.

FOREIGN HOUSES, containing Six Rooms and Out-Houses; Also, CHINESE SHOPS and HOUSES in the Hollywood Road.

Apply to  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 25, 1880.

## FOR STORAGE.

IN GODOWNS, PRATA CENTRAL, from the 1st February next.  
Apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. fe1

## TO LET.

FOUR-STORY HOUSES in Hollywood Road.  
A HOUSE in Lyndhurst Terrace.

Apply to  
**E. R. BELLIS.**  
Hongkong, December 27, 1879.

## TO LET.

A FIRST-CLASS STONE FLOORED GODOWN, Situated upon MARINE LOT 10.  
Also, the Two HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of the TEMPERANCE HALL.

Apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.**  
Hongkong, February 1, 1880.

## TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.  
Apply to  
**MEYER & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

## WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)  
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.  
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## Intimations.

### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eleventh Ordinary Annual MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon of MONDAY, the 23rd February instant, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1879, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,**  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.  
Hongkong, February 6, 1880. fe23

### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd of February instant, both days included.

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,**  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.  
Hongkong, February 6, 1880. fe23

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

### THE COSMOPOLITAN DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

REGISTERED UNDER THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE 1875, AND THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE 1877.  
CAPITAL \$500,000, DIVIDED INTO 5,000 SHARES OF \$100 EACH (FULLY PAID UP).

General Agents,  
Messrs RUSSELL & Co.

Directors,  
**WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, Esq., J. A. DOS REMEDOS, Esq., KWOK ACHONG, Esq., C. VINCENT SMITH, Esq.**

### BANKERS.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

### Solicitors.

Messrs BERRETON and WOTTON.

This Company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring from the Proprietors of the COSMOPOLITAN DOCK, their Dock and the Ground and Premises belonging thereto, with the Plant, Machinery, and Stock-in-Trade of the parties aforesaid, and the Business and Goodwill thereof, and of carrying on the Business of Shipwrights and Engineers in the Colony of Hongkong.

For this purpose an absolute Assignment dated the 31st day of January, 1880, has been entered into by Messrs WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, FRANK BLACKWELL FORBES, SAMUEL WILLYS POMEROY, Junior, JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Junior, FREDERICK DELANO HENRY DE COURCY FORBES, and CHARLES VINCENT SMITH, Merchants trading as RUSSELL & Co., as Trustees of WILLIAM BOLTON SPRATT, ANDREW JOHNSTON, and NELSON SPRATT, the owners of the said Cosmopolitan Dock with Messrs KWOK ACHONG, WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, CHARLES VINCENT SMITH, and JESSE ARTHUR FORBES, Directors of the said Company, for the purchase of all the premises mentioned, without further contribution, for the price or sum of \$500,000, and subject to the condition that if the Stock-in-Trade consisting of Wood and Iron be not valued by a competent valuator at a sum not less than \$100,000, the said sum of \$500,000 shall abate accordingly.

The Cosmopolitan Dock is of sufficient dimensions to dock the largest Vessels afloat; it and the Plant and Machinery belonging thereto are now in perfect order. The Business of Building, Docking, Making, and Repairing Vessels is in full operation, so that the Company can at once enter upon active business, which it is expected will be highly remunerative.

The Business of the Company will be conducted by Messrs RUSSELL & Co., as General Agents, assisted by a Board of Directors.

About Four Thousand Shares have been already taken up, and it is intended that the Capital will be called up as follows:—\$75 per share on the 1st day of May, 1880; \$25 per share on the 1st day of May, 1880.

All unpaid Capital after that date shall bear interest at 12 per cent. per annum. Application for Shares, which shall be in the annexed form, will be received by the Agents, up to the 15th day of April, 1880.

### THE COSMOPOLITAN DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

To Messrs RUSSELL & Co., General Agents.

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby request that you will allot Shares in the above Company, and agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to, and agree to pay the first Call of \$75 per share on allotment, and the second Call of \$25 per share on the 1st day of May, 1880, and to subscribe the Articles of Association when required to do so.

Yours obedient Servant,  
Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,  
N. B.—Blank Form of Application for Shares may be had at the Office of the General Agents.

## SAILORS' HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

### FLOWER SHOW AND ART EXHIBITION.

at the CITY HALL, T. O. M. O. R. R. O. W., the 21st February.

The Band of the 27th INNSBRUCKERS will play during the Afternoon, and the Band of the U. S. S. Richmond in the Evening.—Admission, \$5.

Tickets may be had of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

**O. S. TAYLOR, Hon. Sec., H. K. H. S.**  
Hongkong, February 20, 1880. fe21

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Annual MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS is unavoidably POSTPONED till SATURDAY, February 21st, at 3 p.m.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**D. GILLIES, Secretary.**  
Hongkong, February 16, 1880. fe21

### HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

It is believed that Members' Tickets have been forwarded to all Subscribers, but if any have gone astray they will be replaced on application to the Honorary Secretary.

Schedules are at the English and German Clubs, at Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co's, and may also be obtained from  
**O. S. TAYLOR, Hon. Sec., H. K. H. S.**  
Hongkong, February 19, 1880. fe21

## NOTICE.

### THE HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.</







was also a fine specimen of the Gymnogramma Chrysophylla, shown among the same lot, and included in the first prize. "East Point" seems to have effected a sort of alliance this year, the Secretary having apparently amalgamated with the Manor-house under the all-embracing name of "Ewo." This well-known sign was frequently noticed on the prize tickets, and in one department it showed very conspicuously, viz., the Orchids. These were better this year than they have ever been, the specimen of the Beetle Orchid being especially worthy of all praise. A little more encouragement ought to be given to this class. One result of the change from the Public Garden to the City Hall was that the Show was deprived of many attractive flowers and plants, from the Government conservatories. Notwithstanding this fact, however, the exhibition was very creditable in all concerned, and the show of Foreign Plants was of commendable excellence.

Coming to the Vegetables, it is gratifying to note that the Judges have evidently been guided in their awards by quality more than size; and although the quantities of quality have been over-looked, the other points which go to make up a first-class table vegetable have been prominently and we think carefully noted. The awards to all classes indeed—of Flowers as well as Vegetables and Fruits—appear to have given general satisfaction. In all the leading classes of Vegetables the exhibitors were exceedingly good, and the average in newly added ones. Some of the Cabbages were of enormous size, but few of these were prize-takers; and the same remark might be applied to the Cauliflowers and Carrots. Turnips were small, but (especially one yellow kind) of good quality. The "Potted" ones were in splendid form. We noticed a fine specimen of Scotch Kale, from Mr. Dickie, which would have gladdened the heart of the Patron Saint. The Fruit did not appear to be to more than a fair show.

The Band of the 27th Infantry played during the afternoon, and that from the U. S. Richmond will play during the evening, between 8 and 10 o'clock. We understand that the Exhibition will be again open to-morrow evening during the same hours.

The Judges were as follows:  
For Flowers, Mr. T. O. Hayler, and Mr. F. Tansell.  
For Vegetables, Mr. J. M. Armstrong and Mr. W. K. Hughes.

The following are the members of the Committee:—T. O. Hayler, Esq., President, and Messrs. C. P. Chater, J. H. Oughtie, H. Dickie, W. K. Hughes, A. G. Romano, J. M. A. de Silva, A. E. Vacher, and E. L. Woodin, with Mr. J. M. Armstrong, Mr. W. K. Hughes, and Mr. O. S. Taylor, Hon. Secs.

The following is a list of the awards:—

PLANTS IN POTS.

- Class 1.—Best six flowering and or foliage plants.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Ewo; 3 (additional), Dorabjee.  
Class 2.—Best six ferns.—1, Ewo; 2, H. de O. Forbes.  
Class 3.—Best six annuals.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Ewo; 3, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), Dorabjee.  
Class 4.—Best three foliage plants.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), Ewo.  
Class 5.—Best three flowering plants.—1, Ewo; 2, H. Dickie.  
Class 6.—Best three ferns.—1, Ewo; 2, A. G. Romano.  
Class 7.—Best three cacti.—1, C. P. Chater; 2, H. Dickie.  
Class 8.—Best three dahlias.—1, Ewo; 2, C. P. Chater.  
Class 9.—Best three geraniums.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Ewo; 3 (additional), A. G. Romano.  
Class 10.—Best three roses.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Dorabjee.  
Class 11.—Best three chrysanthemums.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano.  
Class 12.—Best three chrysanthemums.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, H. Dickie.

Class 13.—Best chrysanthemum.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano.

Class 14.—Best flowering plant.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Ewo; 3 (additional), H. Dickie.

Class 15.—Best foliage plant.—1, Ewo; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), H. de O. Forbes.

Class 16.—Best camellia.—1, R. Howie; 2, Ewo.

Class 17.—Best rose.—1, withheld; 2, T. O. Hayler; 3 (additional), H. Dickie.

Class 18.—Best two or three asters.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, B. Dickie.

Class 19.—Best aster.—1, J. H. Cox; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), H. Dickie.

Class 20.—Best annual.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Ewo.

Class 21.—Best dahlia.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano.

Class 22.—Best geranium.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), C. P. Chater.

Class 23.—Best fern.—1, Ewo; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), H. de O. Forbes.

Class 24.—Best one or more azaleas.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Ewo; 3, H. Dickie.

Class 25.—Best one or more pink carnations or sweet william.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Ewo.

Class 26.—Best one or more hyacinths.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Ewo.

Class 27.—Best one or more gladioli.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, withheld.

Class 28.—Best one or more pelargoniums.—1, withheld.

Class 29.—Best one or more orchids.—1, Ewo; 2, T. O. Hayler.

Class 30.—Best one or more daphnes.—1, H. Dickie; 2, withheld.

Class 31.—Best one or more lilies.—1, Ewo; 2, Dorabjee Norrojee.

Class 32.—Best one or more narcissus.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Dorabjee Norrojee.

Class 33.—Best one or more palms.—1, H. Dickie; 2, H. de O. Forbes.

CUT FLOWERS.

Class 34.—Best four carnations.—1, H. Dickie; 2, T. O. Hayler; 3 (additional), C. P. Chater.

Class 35.—Best four chrysanthemum blooms.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3 (additional), Dorabjee Norrojee.

Class 36.—Best four roses.—1, A. G. Romano; 2, Dorabjee Norrojee; 3 (additional), C. P. Chater.

Class 37.—Best six bunches cut flowers, similar.—1, Ewo; 2, H. Dickie; 3 (additional), A. G. Romano.

Class 38.—Best stump or rockwork with fern and or cypripedium.—1, Ewo; 2, H. de O. Forbes; 3 (additional), H. Dickie.

Class 39.—Best hand bouquet.—1, J. H. Cox; 2, Geo. Allan.

Class 40.—Best table decorations.—1, J. H. Cox; 2, T. O. Hayler; 3 (additional), Ewo.

Class 41.—Best six kinds of vegetables.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3, C. P. Chater.

Class 43.—Best two heads of celery, large.—1, H. Dickie; 2, R. Alfred; 3, J. H. Cox.  
Class 44.—Best two heads of celery, dwarf.—1, H. Dickie; 2, withheld; 3, withheld.  
Class 45.—Best six beet roots (long).—1, A. Smith; 2, H. Dickie; 3, withheld.  
Class 46.—Best six beet roots (short or round).—1, N. Dorabjee; 2, H. Dickie; 3, H. de O. Forbes.  
Class 47.—Best six carrots (long).—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3, T. O. Hayler.  
Class 48.—Best six carrots (short or early).—1, A. Smith; 2, H. Dickie; 3, C. P. Chater.  
Class 49.—Best six parsnips.—1, R. Cooke; 2, C. P. Chater; 3, N. Dorabjee.  
Class 50.—Best two cauliflowers.—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3, Soey Hing.

Class 51.—Best two cabbages (exclusive of drumhead).—1, H. Dickie; 2, A. G. Romano; 3, Soey Hing.

Class 52.—Best six cabbages drumhead.—1, A. Smith; 2, R. Cooke; 3, W. C. East.

Class 53.—Best two cabbages red.—1, Ewo; 2, H. Dickie; 3, A. G. Romano.

Class 54.—Best six lettuce cabbages.—1, H. Dickie; 2, Ewo; 3, C. P. Chater.

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his election to a place at this Board. He was referred to the subject which was brought up at last meeting, the means for extinguishing fires. In the interval this matter had the attention of the Board. A deputation waited on H. E. the Governor requesting his assistance in the matter, and as they probably would have seen the papers at the time, H. E. most cordially agreed with the views laid before him by the deputation and promised to do everything in his power to carry them out. At that meeting His Excellency laid before the gentlemen composing the deputation a scheme for high-level water tanks. This scheme had gone before Her Majesty's Government and as far as he understood they had approved it with certain modifications. They would see soon what would be done. He calculated on the scheme being carried out. He formally moved the adoption of the report and the passing of the accounts. The scheme had gone before Her Majesty's Government and as far as he understood they had approved it with certain modifications. They would see soon what would be done. He calculated on the scheme being carried out. He formally moved the adoption of the report and the passing of the accounts.

The Chairman then proposed the confirmation of the re-appointment of Mr. Lowcock to the Board, which was seconded by Mr. Rogers and carried.

Mr. Hopps proposed the re-election of the retiring directors, Messrs. Moller and Dalrymple, which was seconded by Mr. Hancock and passed unanimously.

Mr. Moller proposed, and Mr. Watson seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to reappoint Mr. G. O. Scott and Mr. J. H. Cox, Auditors for the year 1880.

It was stated that the dividend warrants and bonus receipts will be ready to-morrow.

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The following is the Report of the Committee of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, for the year ending 31st December, 1879, to be presented to the Members, at the General Meeting, which will be held on Monday, next, the 23rd inst., at 3.30 p.m.

The Blockade.—Your Committee regret that they are unable to report any progress towards a satisfactory settlement of the Customs Blockade Question. In the early part of the year the Members of the Chamber had an interview with Sir Thomas F. Wade, H.M.'s Minister to Peking, on his way to the Colony, and a full statement of the facts of the case was found in the appendix.

Some correspondence has taken place with the local Government in consequence of a Statement made in the House of Lords on the 9th May last, by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question put by Lord Salisbury, regarding the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the facts of the case, and the effect of the blockade.

With respect to the third matter, the appointment of a Commission to regulate the differences between Hongkong and the City of Canton, your Committee have the honor to inform you that the



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